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BETTA MOMENTS,		:	
	Plaintiffs,	· :	
		:	24-CV-5973 (JMF)
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		:	<u>ORDER</u>
MAYOR ERIC ADAMS, et al.,		:	
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	Defendants.	:	
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JESSE M. FURMAN, United States District Judge:

On May 15, 2025, the Court received the attached documents filed by Plaintiff, who is proceeding without counsel. Plaintiff is reminded that any submissions to the Court should not be sent directly to chambers, but should instead be mailed to the Pro Se Intake Unit, at 500 Pearl Street, Room 205, New York, NY 10007.

The Court will treat these documents as Plaintiff's opposition to Defendants' Motion to Dismiss, ECF No. 17. Defendants' reply, if any, shall be filed by **May 28, 2025**.

The Clerk of Court is directed to mail this Order to the Plaintiff.

SO ORDERED.

Dated: May 15, 2025

New York, New York

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United States District Judge

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PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

Plaintiff Betta Moments filed the Complaint in this case against Defendant Mayor Eric Adams and three John/Jane Doe Defendants – Supervisor Office of Contract Services, Supervisor Office of Management and Budget, and Supervisor City's Law Department. The Complaint alleges that the Defendants violated her constitutional rights by establishing a commissary contract that failed to provide certain cosmetics such as foundation that matched her complexion and that the lack of such makeup in the commissary caused her mental depression. The Complaint fails to allege the personal involvement of any individual, fails to allege a discriminatory municipal policy or custom, fails to allege that she was denied a basic human need, fails to allege that any individual knew or should have known that any of Plaintiff's basic human needs were denied, or that such deprivation created a substantial risk of serious harm.

As discussed more fully below, however, the Complaint suffers from pleading defects that cannot be corrected or amended because there is no constitutional violation for a failure to provide the cosmetics of Plaintiff's choosing at a jail commissary. As such, the Complaint should be dismissed in its entirety by the Court. Plaintiff has failed to state any viable claims upon which relief may be granted and the Court should put an end to this proceeding and deny Plaintiff leave to further amend.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

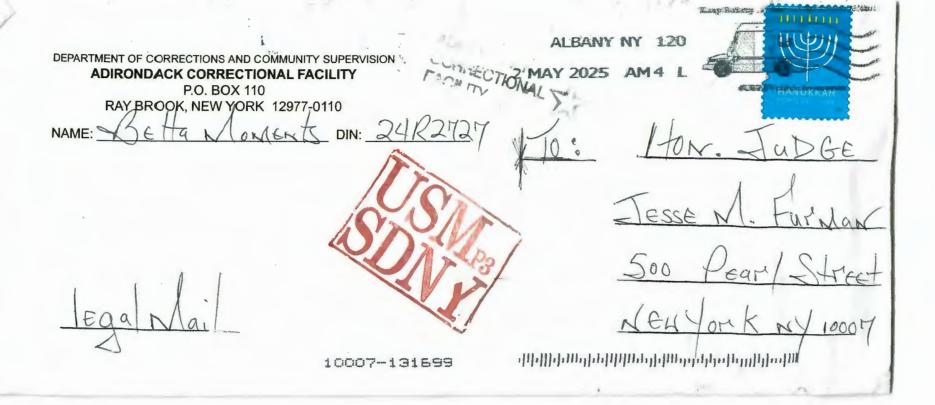
Plaintiff filed the Initial Complaint on October 5, 2022. See ECF No. 2. The Complaint alleges that the Defendants violated her constitutional nights by causing her mental depression that arose from not having cosmetics that the Plaintiff feels are suitable to match her complexion. She further alleges that in the alternative to the proper cosmetics for her complexion, she and other similarly situated persons in custody must blend the foundation that is available with coffee presumably to darken the shade or shades that were available for purchase in the commissary

during the period February 2023 – July 2024. The Complaint fails to allege that she exhausted the administrative process underlying grievances of this nature and fails to allege that she spoke with anyone about this grievance and fails to allege that the use of the administrative grievance process was not required to investigate this sort of issue. Accordingly, this Complaint should be dismissed in its entirety.

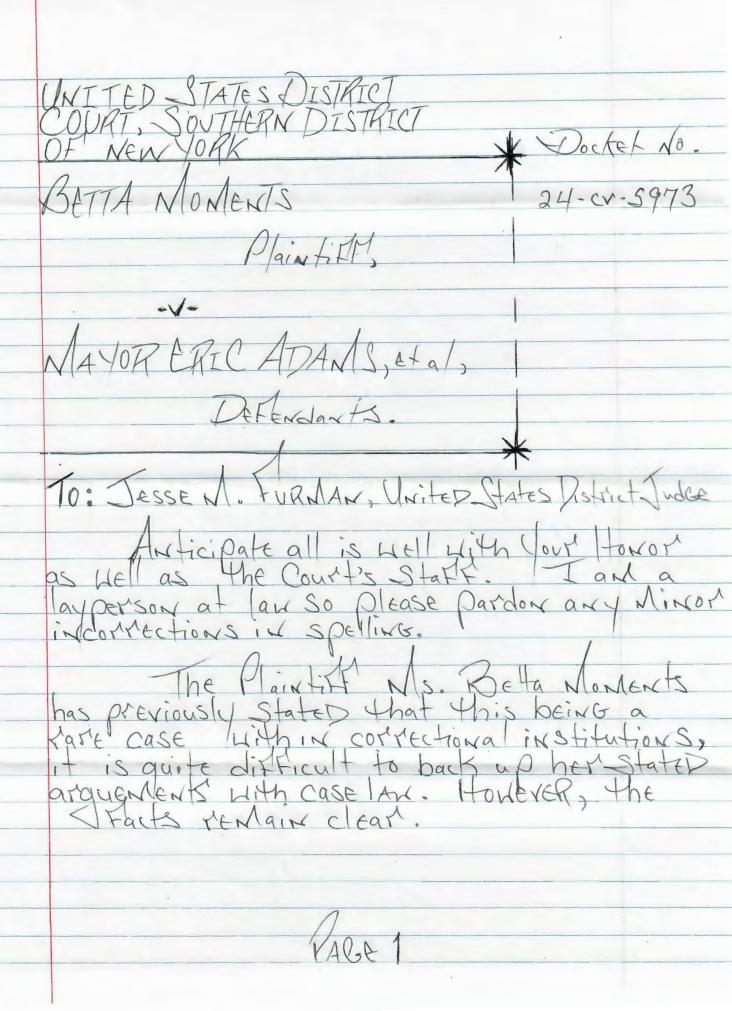
STANDARD OF REVIEW

To survive a motion to dismiss under Rule 12(b)(6), a complaint must contain sufficient factual allegations "to raise a right to relief above the speculative level." *Bell Atl. Corp. v. Twombley*, 550 U.S. 544, 555 (2007) (citations omitted). The complaint must allege "enough facts to state a claim to relief that is plausible on its face." *Id.* at 570. "A claim has facial plausibility when the plaintiff pleads factual content that allows the court to draw the reasonable inference that the defendant is liable for the misconduct alleged." *Ashcroft v. Iqbal*, 556 U.S. 662, 678 (2009) (citing *Twombley*, 550 U.S. at 556). "When the well-pleaded facts 'do not permit the court to infer more than the mere possibility of misconduct,' the court must grant a motion to dismiss." *Yamashita v. Scholastic Inc.*, 936 F.3d 98, 104 (2d Cir. 2019) (quoting *Iqbal*, 556 U.S. at 679).

The court, in deciding a motion to dismiss, must "accept as true the factual allegations of the complaint, and construe all reasonable inferences that can be drawn from the complaint in the light most favorable to the plaintiff." *Arar v. Ashcroft*, 585 F.3d 559, 567 (2d Cir. 2009) (citation omitted). However, the court shall not give "effect to legal conclusions couched as factual allegations." *Port Dock & Stone Corp. v. Oldcastle Ne., Inc.*, 507 F.3d 117, 121 (2d Cir. 2007) (citing *Twombley*, 550 U.S. at 555). Nor must the court "accept as truth conflicting pleadings that make no sense, or that would render a claim incoherent, or that are contradicted either by statements in the complaint itself or by documents upon which its pleadings rely, or by facts of which the court may take judicial notice." *In re Livent, Inc. Noteholders Sec. Litig.*, 151 F. Supp.



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